

**SPECIAL VILLAGE  
BOARD MEETING  
Wednesday, February 19, 2014  
Village Hall, Earl McGovern Room, 6:30 P.M.**



**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that a special meeting of the Village Board will be held at the Village Hall of the Village of Brown Deer, 4800 West Green Brook Drive, Brown Deer, Wisconsin at the above noted time and date, at which the following items of business will be discussed and possibly acted upon:

- I. Roll Call
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Persons Desiring to be Heard
- IV. Unfinished Business
- V. New Business
  - A) Draw Candidate's Names for Ballot Placement for Spring Election on April 1, 2014
  - B) Resolution No. 14-, "Resolution Declaring International Migratory Bird Day in the Village of Brown Deer"
- VI. Adjournment

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Jill Kenda-Lubetski, Village Clerk  
February 18, 2014

**PERSONS REQUIRING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS FOR ATTENDANCE AT THE MEETING SHOULD CONTACT THE VILLAGE CLERK AT LEAST ONE BUSINESS DAY PRIOR TO THE MEETING.**



# REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION

<b>COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION: Village Board</b>	
<b>ITEM DESCRIPTION:</b> Recommendation of Approval of a Resolution Declaring International Migratory Bird Day in the Village of Brown Deer	
<b>PREPARED BY:</b>	Fernando Moreno, Zoning & Planning Specialist
<b>REPORT DATE:</b>	February 18, 2014

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Bird City USA program provides direction, technical assistance, public attention, and national recognition for municipalities striving to invest in the health of local bird species. Patterned after the nationally recognized Tree City USA program, the Bird City designation is a public demonstration of a community's commitment to environmental, economic, and aesthetic sustainability. Bird City Wisconsin has developed a series of criteria to assess the degree to which communities invest in the health and wellbeing of bird species. These criteria form the bulk of an admissions process that honor municipalities that work to protect the environment. Communities that meet the criteria of admission to this select group of environmentally pro-active municipalities will earn an array of awards: two highway signs, a flag, and a commemorative plaque to be displayed in the Village Hall.

In order to attain Bird City designation, a community must meet at least 7 of the 22 criteria outlined in Bird City Wisconsin's 5-category "Basic Application". Three of the criteria must come from Category 1 ("Creation and Protection of Habitat"), and at least 1 criterium must be met in each of the remaining four categories. The Village of Brown Deer already meets enough criteria to satisfy the first four requirements. The final category, "Community celebration of International Migratory Bird Day" (IMBD), requires that a community submit an official resolution recognizing this event, and a description of plans for a local IMBD celebration.

## RECOMMENDATION:

Staff believes the approval of Resolution 14- declaring International Migratory Bird Day in the Village of Brown Deer is consistent with goals and objectives laid out in the Village's Comprehensive Plan to improve the integrity of the local environment.

Please contact Fernando Moreno with any questions or comments at 371-3032.

**Resolution Declaring International Migratory Bird Day in the Village of Brown Deer**

**Resolution 14-**

**WHEREAS**, migratory birds are some of the most beautiful and easily observed wildlife in our communities; and

**WHEREAS**, many citizens recognize and welcome migratory songbirds as symbolic harbingers of spring; and

**WHEREAS**, these migrant species also play an important economic role in our community, controlling insect pests and generating millions in recreational dollars statewide; and

**WHEREAS**, migratory birds and their habitats are declining throughout the Americas, facing a growing number of threats on their migration routes and in both their summer and winter homes; and

**WHEREAS**, public awareness and concern are crucial components of migratory bird conservation; and

**WHEREAS**, citizens enthusiastic about birds, informed about the threats they face, and empowered to help address those threats can directly contribute to maintaining health bird populations; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1993 International Migratory Bird Day (IMBD) has become a primary vehicle for focusing public attention on the nearly 350 species that travel between nesting habitats in our communities and throughout North America and their wintering grounds in South and Central America, Mexico, the Caribbean, and the southern U.S.; and

**WHEREAS**, hundreds of thousands of people will observe IMBD, gathering in town squares, community centers, schools, parks, and nature centers to learn about birds, take action to conserve them, and simply to have fun; and

**WHEREAS**, while IMBD officially is held each year on the second Saturday in May, its observance is not limited to a single day, and planners are encouraged to schedule activities on the dates best suited to the presence of both migrants and celebrants, and

**WHEREAS**, IMBD is not only a day to foster appreciation for wild birds and to celebrate and support migratory bird conservation, but also a call to action

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Village of Brown Deer, Wisconsin, does hereby proclaim the second Saturday in May as **International Migratory Bird Day** in the Village of Brown Deer, Milwaukee County, Wisconsin and urges all citizens to celebrate this observance and to support efforts to protect and conserve migratory birds and their habitats in our community and the world at large.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Village Board of the Village of Brown Deer this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014.

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Carl Krueger, Village President

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Michael Hall, Village Manager